An Artistic Discovery: 2011 Congressional Art Competition

Presented by: U.S. Representative Sandy Adams

Important Dates and Submission Information:

Guidelines:

The competition is open to U.S. citizen high school students only. Artwork must be two-dimensional. Each piece can be no larger than 28" x 28" x 4", including the frame. Artwork cannot weigh more than 15 lbs. Accepted media as follows: Paintings (oil, acrylics, watercolor), Drawings (Pastels, colored pencils, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers), Collage, Prints (lithographs, silkscreen, block prints), Mixed Media (use of more than two medias such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.), Computer Generated Art, and Photograph.

Each entry must be original in concept, design and execution and may not violate any US copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo (other than the student's own), painting, graphic, advertisement, or any other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition's rules and will not be accepted. Work entered must be in the original medium (that is, not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing). Artwork will hang in the Capitol for the entire year of the exhibition and cannot be returned to the students earlier. Students should, therefore, submit artwork they will not need for other purposes. Artwork must adhere to the policy of the House Office Building Commission. In accordance with this policy, exhibits depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or a sensationalist or gruesome nature will not be allowed.

Copy of Art Entry Label Date: Wednesday, April 27th:

A copy of the art work entry label information should be sent to my District Director, Don Pardue, no later than Wednesday, April 27th. You can obtain a form by contacting Don Pardue (Don.Pardue@mail.house.gov) at 407-977-7601 or Courtney Cannon (Courtney.Cannon@mail.house.gov) at 202-225-2706. Students will receive an electronic invitation to the April 30th Congressional Art Show Exhibition.

Congressional Art Show Exhibition: Saturday, April 30th: 10 to 11AM

The event is free and open to the public. Student artwork will be set up, displayed and judged at the Winter Springs City Commission Chambers- 1126 East State Road 434, Winter Springs FL 32708. All artwork needs to be at the exhibition site by 9:45AM. There will be light refreshments during the exhibition, followed by a short ceremony beginning at 10:30AM, culminating in the announcement of the winner of *An Artistic Discovery*.

Exhibition Opening in Washington, DC- mid June (final date has not been finalized)

Each year there is an event for the unveiling of the student artwork from across the nation. The winning student will be invited to this forum and will visit Congresswoman Adams in Washington, DC. (Travel will be provided to the winner from each Congressional District through Southwest Airlines.)